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For: Method, system and computer program product for managing the transmission of information packets in a telecommunication network

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The undersigned CERTIFIES:

The above-identified application was assigned to Telecom Italia in an Assignment filed herewith and of which a copy is attached hereto;

That Telecom Italia is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the above-identified application;

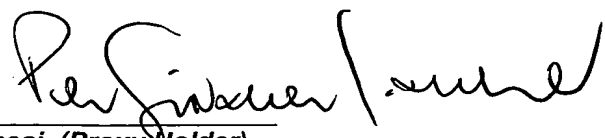
That the undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of above-identified application and, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in Telecom Italia;

That the undersigned is empowered to act on behalf of and is authorized to execute this Power of Attorney on behalf of Telecom Italia; and

That the undersigned hereby declares that all statements made herein of the undersigned's own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issued thereon.

Date: April 14, 2005

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# DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

## METHOD, SYSTEM AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR MANAGING THE TRANSMISSION OF INFORMATION PACKETS IN A TELECOMMUNICATION NETWORK

the specification of which is attached and/or was filed on **11 November 2003** as PCT International Application No. **PCT/EP03/12551** and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or § 365(a) of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT International application(s) having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed Under 35 U.S.C. 119
ITALY	TO2002A001009	20 November 2002	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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Application Number	Date of Filing

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Application Number	Date of Filing	Status (Patented, Pending, Abandoned)

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application specified below, where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application or where the applicant's name has changed since the filing of the earlier application (Rules 4.17(iii) and 51 bis.1(a)(iii)):

In relation to this International Application, TELECOM ITALIA S.p.A. is entitled to claim priority of earlier

ITALIAN PATENT APPLICATION No. TO2002A001009 filed on November 20, 2002 by virtue of an assignment from TELECOM ITALIA LAB S.p.A. to TELECOM ITALIA S.p.A, dated March 31, 2003.

This declaration is made for the purposes of all the designated states.

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**Declaration of inventorship (Rules 4.17(iv) and 51bis.1(a)(iv))  
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I hereby declare that I believe I am the original, first and sole (if only one inventor is listed below) or joint (if more than one inventor is listed below) inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.

This declaration is directed to the international application of which it forms a part (if filing declaration with application).

This declaration is directed to international application No. PCT/EP03/12551 (if furnishing declaration pursuant to Rule 26ter).

I hereby declare that my residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified international application, including the claims of said application. I have identified in the request of said application, in compliance with PCT Rule 4.10, any claim to foreign priority, and I have identified below, under the heading "Prior Applications," by application number, country or Member of the World Trade Organization, day, month and year of filing, any application for a patent or inventor's certificate filed in a country other than the United States of America, including any PCT international application designating at least one country other than the United States of America, having a filing date before that of the application on which foreign priority is claimed.

Prior Applications: TO2002A001009, IT 20, November 2002

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is known by me to be material to patentability as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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